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The City is hosting a Household Hazardous Waste Collection, Electronic Recycling and Paper Shredding event on Saturday, May 3, at the City's old service center, 133 N. Main St. The event is 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and is only available to residents who live inside the Burleson city limits (proof of residency including a City water or solid waste bill is required).

Household hazardous waste items are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. All electronics and appliances (except for TVs) will be taken for free. TVs will not be accepted at this event. There is no fee for paper shredding, but the volume is limited to three boxes per vehicle.

Household hazardous waste items that will be accepted include acids, aerosol cans, antifreeze, batteries (all kinds, including car batteries), brake fluid, cooking oil, craft chemicals, degreasers, drain cleaner, fertilizer, fluorescent light bulbs, compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs), herbicides, household chemicals, motor oil, paints and stains, paint thinners, pest strips, pesticides, pharmaceuticals, photo chemicals, pool chemicals, oil filters, solvents, transmission fluid, and varnish.

Household hazardous waste items that will not be accepted include ammunition, asbestos, building materials, butane cylinders, electronics, explosives, medical waste, PCBs, propane cylinders, radioactive material, smoke detectors, tires, and TVs.

Residents who do not want to wait until May 3, can take their household hazardous waste to the Environmental Collection Center (ECC). The ECC is open Thursdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is located at 6400 Bridge St. in Fort Worth. For directions, call 817-392-EASY (3279). There is no fee for dropping off your household hazardous waste, however, residents must take a City of Burleson water or solid waste bill as proof of residency.

If you cannot wait for May 3 to recycle your electronics, the Goodwill store on Hwy. 174 in Burleson will accept all electronics, including computers, monitors, accessories, video games, TVs, and radios. Also, check with Best Buy. The electronics store accepts most consumer electronics but may charge a recycling fee for TVs and computers. If you don't want to recycle your old TV, you can put it at the curb for solid waste pick-up.

For more information about the May 3 recycling event, call David Lenartowicz, the City's environmental specialist, at 817-426-9842.